

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Forest Circle Middle
Colleton
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 674
Principal: Scott Mathews
Superintendent: Ms. Leila Williams
Board Chair: Mr. Paul Haase

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Below Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	R
2008	At-Risk	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	RP
2007	At-Risk	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

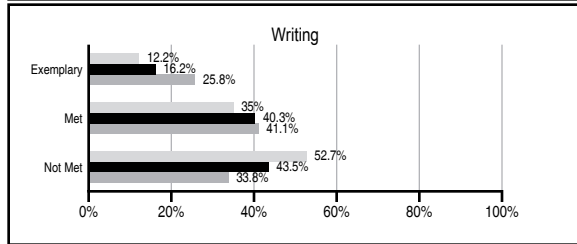
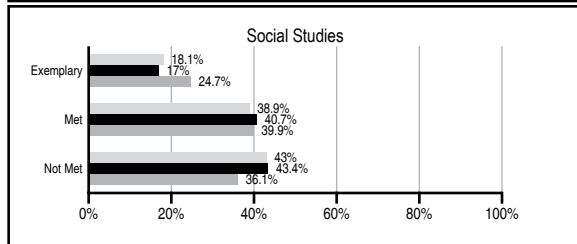
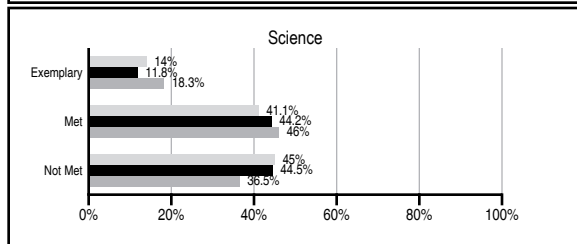
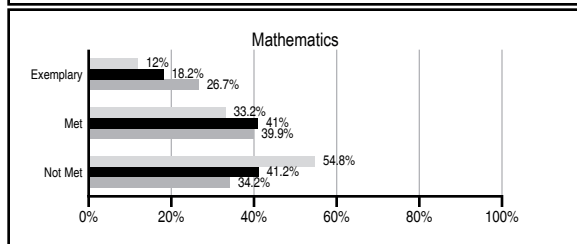
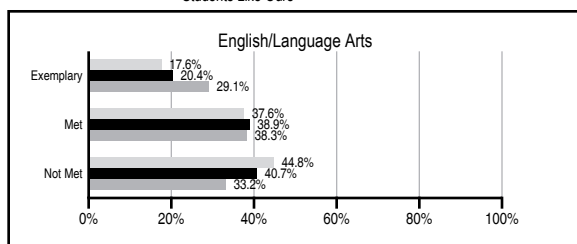
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	22	19	4

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)			
South Carolina	31	44	23
Nation	27	43	27
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)			
South Carolina	29	39	24
Nation	30	39	24
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)			
South Carolina	46	31	21
Nation	43	30	24
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	60.0	91.3
English 1	33.3	89.8
Physical Science	N/A	92.2
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	50.0	91.0

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:
By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=674)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	28.2%	Up from 15.1%	15.8%	21.6%
Retention rate	5.4%	Up from 4.8%	1.8%	1.2%
Attendance rate	94.4%	Up from 93.8%	95.3%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.2%	Down from 12.6%	9.6%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	13.3%	Up from 12.4%	15.2%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	11.0%	Down from 12.3%	4.2%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	1.6%	Up from 0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=34)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	26.5%	Down from 38.9%	56.3%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	67.6%	Up from 44.4%	66.7%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	24.1%	Down from 33.3%	9.7%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	73.7%	Up from 69.7%	81.4%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.0%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$41,686	Up 2.2%	\$46,051	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	30.2%	Up from 14.0%	3.7%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	14.6 days	Down from 19.0 days	10.3 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.1 to 1	Up from 23.7 to 1	19.3 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.7%	Up from 84.6%	89.6%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	92.5%	Down from 95.0%	97.0%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,987	Up 2.0%	\$8,169	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.2%	Down from 65.4%	62.7%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.2%	Down from 59.3%	55.6%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	76.2%	Up from 52.4%	90.5%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	35	169	90
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.4%	64.1%	73.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.3%	73.5%	64.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	52.9%	76.5%	62.5%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Forest Circle Middle School continues to be on a path of continuous improvement. Administrators, teachers, students, parents, and community members are working together to develop new ideas and strategies for increased student achievement and to improve the overall school environment. Our teachers and administrators have increased staff development opportunities and continue to focus on analyzing data to drive instruction.

Our report card data, MAP data, and benchmark test data continue to show improvements in math, science, social studies, and ELA. During the 2008-2009 school year, our students, teachers, and school leadership team have been focused on developing and implementing our Focused School Renewal Plan (FSRP). All of the goals stated in our FSRP have been met.

Forest Circle Middle School has purchased much-needed technology and educational resources. Consequently, this has helped our faculty enhance and implement new teaching strategies. Smartboards have been installed in all academic classrooms, and our teachers have received several levels of Smartboard training. Our school leadership team and teachers are analyzing student data weekly to determine specific needs to improve student achievement. We also continue to encourage students to read by conducting an Accelerated Reading program daily. Our teachers have worked hard to improve parent communication by increasing the number of parent conferences, e-mails, and phone calls to parents about grades and discipline. Forest Circle Middle School continues to implement a Behavior Intervention Class (BIC) to help reduce the number of student discipline referrals.

Our goal at Forest Circle Middle School is to continue as a place where students learn, grow, and succeed as we accomplish our mission, "Soaring to New Heights." Our faculty, School Improvement Council, and administration are committed to this challenge.

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